Gen. March Justifies Withholding Addresses of Men Killed or Wounded.

Explanation of why the War Depart ment is unwilling to give to news-papers the addresses of men killed or unded is given by Maj. Gen. P. C. March, acting chief of staff, in a lette to Representative Medill McCormick of Illinois. He says the reasons are:

"To put into the hands of the nearest relative or friend given by the soldier in his emergency address prompt and accurate information concerning the casualty before anything is given to the press.

2. "To prevent any information apearing in the papers which will be of any possible assistance to the German

Discusses the Old System.

Gen. March explained that the old system which gave the dates of the casualties enables the Germans to get exactly what effect was produced upon

Further Explanation.

raids being conducted along our front ing his left leg. are for the purpose of capturing soldiers, with the object of obtaining from them information about the strength and purpose of the organization opposed to the German line at that particular point. He explained that when them information about the strength and purpose of the organization opposed to the German line at that particular point. He explained that when the addresses of the nearest relatives are published, German agents in the United States approach the relatives and obtain from them information which Germany is attempting to obtain at the front by attacks on our forces. In France, he says, they publish no casualty lists at all. The information reaches the relative from the mayor or prefect of the town, who is required to communicate the fact verbally.

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That the department is in receipt of letters from men of high standing in this country who have sons abroad and who protest vigorously against any change in the new system, and who demand that no information shall be given to the press which could in any possible way be of assistance to the Germans confronting their sons in France, also is stated by Gen. March He says it has developed, also, according to an official communication from the Red Cross that relatives of men who are killed in France are made victims of the most absurd propositions to exhibit themselves for money, thus making their grief the object of exploitation by cheap notorlety seekers.

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The whole matter of a change of methods publishing casualty lists, Gen. March states, was brought up by cablegram from Gen. Pershing, in which he stated hat representatives of the French government had formally protested against the methods then used. They referred to a specific case, a statement given out in the United States, officially, which permitted the Germans to know definitely the effect of gas shells on a certain date. He says the whole subject was then thoroughly studied, and the decision reached to adopt the present policy.

W. R. & E. HEADS GIVE

DINNER IN KING'S HONOR

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Former Trolley President "Fought Fair," Says Speaker at Country Club.

Clarence P. King, former president of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, was tendered a farewell dinper by the executive heads of the com pany at the Columbia Country Club last night. He is to leave Washington tonight for New York to assume active management of his business interests

Mr. King visited the company's ex ecutive offices, at 14th and B streets, this morning and said good-by to the officials and employes with whom he has been associated for nearly seven

pears.

Every department of the railway system was represented at the dinner given the retiring president.

The guests were Vice President William F. Ham. Charles A. Douglas, L. E. Sinclair, S. R. Bowen, C. S. Kimball, Goorge P. Hoover, J. J. Darlington, John S. Barbour, J. H. Stephens, Gus E. Haar, jr.; E. C. Elliott, Larkin W. Glazebrook, William L. Clarke, W. F. Dement, J. B. Hoellman, A. G. Neal, John C. McLaughlin, L. B. Schloss, Brainerd H. Warner, jr.; C. A. Weaver and Atwood M. Fisher. Those who spoke included Mr. Darlington, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Ham, Mr. Warner and Mr. Barbour.

Vice President Ham spoke of the high esteem in which Mr. King is held by the esteem in which Mr. King is held by the members of the organization whose work brought them in touch with him. Mr. Hoover referred to him as a "fair fighter," even under the most adverse circumstances. Eulogistic references to his work and the enthusiasm which he instilled in his associates were made by the other speakers.

In response Mr. King alluded to the work of each department and the coperation existing between them. He urged the organization to support his successor as levally as it had supported him.

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STRIDES IN STAMP SALES.

Post Office Has Record of \$30,743 in the Past Week.

Great strides are being made by the post office in the sale of war savings and thrift stamps, according to the weekly report just made by Assistant naster Malcolm Kerlin. The sale of the "baby bonds" during the week ending March 22 amounted to \$30,743, which was a gain of \$6,995 over the

previous week.

She sales at the Treasury booth for the week ended March 23 totaled \$21,\$59.45, against \$17,151.52 for the week previous. This was a gain over the week of March 15 of \$3,708.13.



WOUNDED U. S. MARINE PROBABLY OWES LIFE TO CIGARETTE CASE.

PARIS, March 25 .- An American in the chest by a splinter of one of the first shells which fell during Saturday's bombardment of Paris by the Germans. He was wounded seriously, but his life tion of the splinter by a cigarette case. So far as has been reported he is the only American victim of the bombardment.

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The Matin says one of the shells fired in the direction of Paris yesterday struck a church in the suburbs. Several persons who were attending a Palm Sunday service were killed.

Succumbs at Emergency Hospital-Driver Arrested-Six Injured in Crash.

our troops in a raid of that date. He also said the publication of the emergency addresses brought down upon the relatives a swarm of claim agents who guaranteed that they would get from the government the war risk insurance which is guaranteed by law to the proper inheritor.

Gen. March points out that in spite of the fact that the department has in each case advised the nearest relative that their claims will be adjusted by the gvernment and that they will be furnished the money due them without the interposition of claim agents, numbers of poor people have yielded to the importunity of these agents and are therefore deprived of a portion of what is justly due them.

Further Explanation.

from opposite directions and turned south Gen. March also explained that the throwing Pearson to the street and crush-

collided with a street car at 11th and Girard streets about 9 o'clock last night

Miss Annie McDermott, twenty-one years old, 2307 Wisconsin avenue, was struck by an automobile at 7th and B streets about 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and knockeds down, but not hurf. The automobile was owned and occupied by G. T. Markward, 1349 Maryland avenue northeast.

CRIPPLED DESTROYER

British and French Squadrons Sink or Burn Three German Raiders Off Dunkirk.

were making for their base. A grim fight ensued, according to stories of eye-witnesses.

None of the German torpedoes found a mark, but the Morris, emerging from an enemy smoke screen, cut off a German destroyer of a large type and torpedoed her at a range of 500 yards. There was an explosion in the enemy vessel and she sank immediately.

Meanwhile the Botha had been crippled and she began to lose her way. The crew determined to do what damage they could and fired both their torpedoes at the two leading enemy boats. Then, her helm having been put hard over, the Botha rammed another boat cleanly amidships cutting the enemy vessel in half.

Swinging around the Botha attempted to repeat the ramming maneuver on the next German astern. The enemy craft, however, eluded the effort of the crippled Britisher, but only to fall a victim to the French destroyers. Ablaze, the German boat lay disabled, while the Frenchmen pounded her with torpedoes and gunfire.

The Morris lost the rest of the quarry in the mist and took the lame Botha in tow, while the French destroyers circled around, picking up prisoners it appears that eighteen German craft participated in the raid, and when they fled from the French coast, leaving three of their number behind, they were attacked by a British navel air squadron, which pelted them with bombs and scattered them in disorder in all directions.

Two German destroyers and two German torpedo boats were believed to have been sunk in the action off Dunkirk, according to an announcement made by the British admiralty on March 31. It was said that no allied reasels were sunk and that one daminated by the Sainway had reached port.

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-Women's Two-Clasp French Black Kid Gloves, with

heavy crochet embroidered, stitched backs, welts in col-

are white, with the following colors—green, navy, champagne, tan, brown and black. A \$2.75

-Women's One-Clasp Glace Kid

Gloves, pique sewn, in white with fancy colored embroidery backs. A \$2.50

—Women's Two-Clasp Washable Chamoisette Gloves, with self-stitched backs, in white 75C

-Women's Two-Clasp All Pure-Silk Gloves, double finger tipped, with fancy embroidered backs,

and welts in colors to match embroidery. Kayser and L. & L. make. A pair, 85c, \$1, \$1.75

Easter Hosiery Is As

Important As Any

Other Part of the Easter Costume

Women's "Radmoor" Pure silk Hose, full regular made, double soles, high-spliced heels, double toes, deep garter hem; in black, white and all the new spring colors, suitable for street and evening wear. At \$1.50 select from. A pair.

—Women's Fine Gause Liste Thread 'Hose, full regular made, spliced soles, heels and toes, garter tops, in black, white, Russian calf, cordovan and battleship gray. A 75C

Kann's-Street Floor.

ors to match the embroidery, combinations

-Women's Two-Clasp French Glace Kid Gloves, with three-row, embroidered backs, and welts to

match embroidery, in white and black black and white, and tan with black. Per \$2.25

-Women's One-Clasp Washable Pique and Prix Seam-Sewn Gloves, with self and black-stitched backs, in white, tan,

brown, putty and \$2.25 khaki shades. A pair

—Women's Two-Clasp All Pure-Silk Gloves, double finger tipped. A pair, 65c. 75c, 85c \$1.25

A New Petticoat

-To wear under your Easter

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suit or dress is one of the necessities not to be overlooked or left to the last moment.

—Petticoats, with changeable poplin tops and silk flounces, in lavender and brown, gold and green, cerise and Belgian blue, green and blue and blue and brown. Flounce is tucked in fine pin tucks and is finished with two small ruffles; another style is finished with deep flounce with knife pleated small ruffle, fine tucks and dust ruffle.

—At the same price are Taffeta

tucks and dust ruffle.

At the same price are Taffeta Silk Skirts, in plain and changeable effects, made with deep flounce, tucked and finished with knife pleated ruffle. Colors are new geranium red, plum, Belgian blue, wistaria, majenta, tan and black, All Klosfit tops. \$3.95

Summer Furs for Easter Wear

-When a light-weight coat suit is donned after the heavy winter coat of fur has been laid aside the change is keenly felt, and that is when the real necessity arises for summer furs. Select yours here tomorrow.

-Wolf Scarfs, Lucille Brown, [and Dove Gray, in the curved animal style, beautifully lined, spe- \$29.75

-Wolf Scarfs, in a variety of styles and effects such as Lu-cille brown, navy blue, taupe, pearl gray and dove gray, such beautiful colorings, and hand-some furs. Priced from \$35.00 to \$65.00

-Taupe Fox Scarfs, choice skins, lined with crepe de chine or Georgette crepe over silk,

\$39.50, \$59.50 & \$65.00

More Beautiful Designs

Arrive in , New Voiles

—"Why, those are even prettier than the ones you had before!" is the general opinion at every display of the new arrivals. Such a condition is really unique; as it is usually the case that the first patterns to be shown are the most beautiful. This year new elements have entered the field of design and a wealth of new ideas is the result.

at 75c Yd.

—There are beautiful striped effects, new plaid designs, many stippled patterns, new tan and blue combinations, odd and striking conventional designs. All on the striking conventional designs.

—Slik and Cotton Crepe, an un-usually fine quality and one that is being greatly used in making summer lingerie, wash walsts, for summer lingerie, wash walsts, for hat facings, collars and cuffs, for vestees, as well as for whole dresses. A marvelous line of colorings to select from—almost numberless shades of blue, several different shades of green, including the new sea-foam and Chartreuse as well as those in vogue in the early spring, apricot, pink, rose, mais, tan, lavender, helictrope, wistaria and many others. A 50c

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Stoles, in all the novel effects, soft pliable skins, at \$39.75 to \$85.00 -Hudson Seal Coatees, plain

-Lucille Brown Fox Scarfs,

\$49.50,\$59.50 & \$65.00

-Hudson Seal Scarfs, Capes and

made of large silky skins, at

and trimmed with natural squirrel, ermine and moleskin. Splendid assortment to select from. Specially priced at

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"Polka Dot" Veiling

with one large polka dot to a veil length-like a beauty patch on My Lady's face, that heightens the brightness of her eyes, and makes fairer the whiteness of the skin or the rosy tint of cheeks and lips. This is 50c sold by the veil length. A length

Other New Veilings by the yard in a good assortment of new designs, some effective border designs, chenille dot patterns and single motif effects, in all the popular colors and black. A yard 50c

-New Circular Vells are very much in demand, attractive rose patterns, in Shetland finished veils, scroll effects, chenille bor-dered patterns and others in hexa-gon mesh, in taupe, brown, navy, purple and black. A veil from \$1.00 up to \$2.98

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Ball Yarns---Just In

A Big Shipment

-Consists of knitting worsted, Shetland floss, Spanish knit-

ting yarn, Saxony yarn, Silk flake, Vicuna yarn and Teazle yarn; in a large assortment of the shades most in demand for

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Also Just Received-Army and

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-In gray, for the sweaters, helmets, etc., needed \$1.15

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21/2 to 31/2 yards, in white, cream and ecru.

The Finer Blouses For Easter Wear

Here at -There are beautifully beaded and embroidered as well as tailored models of this sheer material. Some of the tailored effects are tucked, others are plain and finished

with pearl buttons. -Heavy quality crepe de chines, plain tailored models, some in the new shirt style, finished with collar that has a dainty edge of fine pleated crepe de chine and little rib-

bon tie. -Among the beaded models at the higher price are some with large bone beads, wide spaced and caught to the material with long embroidery stitches.

-All the wanted shades, also flesh and white. Kann's-Second Floor.

Crepe de Chine Blouses at \$2.99

-Sale continues with wonderful values still offered at this Bargain Table-Street Floor.

Easter Novelties, Candies, Toys

Kann's-Street Floor-Candy Store and Bargain Tables

Toy Rabbits

-Chickens and other Easter toys, as well as a fine selection of baskets, ready for the children's Easter fun. Bargain Tables-Street Floor, and Toy Store-4th Floor.

Easter Cards

-And favors in large variety, for the big or little folks' Easter Monday parties. Stationery Store-Street Floor.



200 Cut Glass Flower Vases

IN OUR EASTER SALE.

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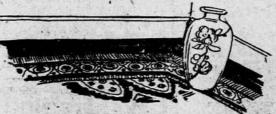
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